DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY



College of Liberal Arts

Department of English

Bachelor of Arts in English

Beginning the Journey

EDUCATE

- Complete ENGL 1301 and 1302 to secure your command of argumentative writing. More information can be obtained by contacting Dr. Justin Lerberg.
- Participate in one of the English-specific Student Success courses: ENGL 1200 (for first-year students) or UNIV 1131 (for transfer students).
- Take the first two language courses in the Department of Modern Languages, or secure credit through examination.
- Sign up for your first 2000-level literature course. You can find out about available topics by emailing the English advisors.

ENGAGE

- Ensure that you are on the Department of English email list so you get updates about all English events.
- Attend the English Celebration of Majors and English Open House events.
- Attend Second Friday lunch mixers in the English conference floor, located on the second floor of Carlisle Hall.
- Learn more about Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honors Society.

EXCEL

- Learn about tutoring through the English Writing Center.
- Earn a spot on the Dean?s List by maintaining a GPA of 3.75 or better.
- Apply to the UTA Honors College.

Trailblazing the Path

EDUCATE

- Choose a minor, such as technical writing or creative writing, to complement your English degree. To discuss various options and their career potential, email the English advisors and/or reach out to the Career Development Center.
- Complete the English foundations courses, ENGL 3333, 3350, and 3384. The schedule of course offerings can be found in MyMav.
- Diversify your marketable skills by choosing a broad range of upper-level English electives. Options could include technical writing, editing, and creative writing. For more on job placement, contact Dr. Timothy Ponce.

ENGAGE

- Hear faculty share their work at an interdisciplinary research center like the Center for Theory, Center for African American Studies, or the Center for Mexican American Studies
- Attend a lecture at the Maverick Speaker Series; past speakers include Terry Crews, Samantha Power, and Bob Woodward.
- Join English Department faculty for our annual Hermanns Speaker Series.
- Submit a creative work to The Broken Mirror.
- Participate in a Lost Arts Collaborative event or join the Big Summer Reading Group

EXCEL

- Participate in an English study abroad course.
- Apply to be a tutor at the English Writing Center.
- Apply to work at The Shorthorn.
- Present your research at the CoLA Spotlight.

Destination Graduation

EDUCATE

- Make an appointment with the English advisors to ensure that you are on track to graduate.
- Apply to graduate.
- Take the Senior Seminar (ENGL 4399) and consider participating in the English Internship course (ENGL 4390).
- Talk with Dr. Neill Matheson or Dr. Kathryn Warren about the value of attending graduate school.

ENGAGE

- Take a Service Learning course, such as Dr. Desirée Henderson?s ENGL 4333 Life Writing or Dr. Timothy Ponce?s ENGL 3379 Grant and Proposal Writing.
- Consider participating in the ?Test Drive? program, which allows you to attend a class meeting for one of several graduate courses in the College of Liberal Arts.
- Attend graduation with the English faculty.

EXCEL

- Visit the Career Development Center and Dr. Timothy Ponce for help with resumes, cover letters, and interview skills.
- Join the English Employment Team in Microsoft Teams.
- Participate in the fall and spring career fairs.

*You can ask your freshman advisor about what these requirements are



MAVERICK ADVANTAGE

Be Bold. Be Ambitious. Set Yourself Apart.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- Visit the Career Center
- Work at the English Writing Center
- Join the Shorthorn staff
- Join the Write Club
- Apply for an internship
- Check out Graduate School with COLA's Test Drive

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

- Consider an English study abroad program
- Take your required language classes
- Learn from an internationally known speaker at the Maverick Speaker Series
- Over the summer, attend Arlington's International Folk Art Market

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- Join Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honors Society
- Apply to be a Peer Academic Leader for the Student Success class
- Apply to be an R.A.
- Run for office in a student organization
- Join Student Government

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Take a Service Learning course, such as Dr. Desirée Henderson's ENGL 4333 Life Writing or Dr. Timothy Ponce's ENGL 3379 Grant Writing
- Hear a visiting writer read from their work
- Attend the Hermanns Lecture Series
- Participate in a Lost Arts Collaborative Activity
- Participate in the Big Summer Reading group
- See screenings of women-produced films at Lunafest

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

- Apply to the Honors College
- Apply the McNair Scholars program
- Share your research at the CoLA Spotlight

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FIND YOUR CAREER



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What career options do I have with this major?

- Content Creator
- Content Manager
- Creative Writer
- Document Designer
- Editor
- Education Administration
- Foundation Manager
- Grant Writer
- Instructional Designer
- Lawyer *
- Librarian
- Nonprofit Director
- Paralegal *
- Professor *
- Public Relations
- Small Business Owner
- Teacher *
- Technical Communicator
- Technical Writer
- Publications Manager

*Career options that require more education, certifications, expertise, etc.

Workforce Skills

- Communication: Develop and articulate ideas clearly and effectively across all mediums, including but not limited to written, oral, and digital communication
- Critical Thinking: Analyze issues, make decisions, and overcome problems by using sound reasoning before forming a strategy, decision, or opinion.
- Ingenuity: Synthesize existing ideas and concepts in innovative and creative ways to develop new ways of thinking or working and engage in divert thinking and risk-taking.

Career Readiness

- Ability to incorporate critical feedback into multiple iterations of a project
- Ability to read analytically and for styles/ ideas
- Understanding of diverse viewpoints
- Comprehensive editing (going beyond the copy to design, audience considerations
- Excellent interpersonal communication
- Understanding of diverse viewpoints
- Creative writing skills and processes that produce engaging and attention-grabbing texts, podcasts, and visual stories
- High proficient in reading, writing, and speaking
- Problem-solving skills that combine data and social emotional concerns for optimum effectiveness
- Project Management: Working with small and large teams using task delegation
- Skill in research, including archives, government documents, and records

Take Action

- Explore workforce skill development through on and off-campus activities.
- Engage with the UTA Career Development Center at uta.edu/careers.
- Meet with a career consultant.
- Network with employers.
- Discover internships and co-ops.
- Join Handshake, our career services platform.
- Participate in career development programs.
- If you want the teacher certification at the time of graduation, you need to do student teaching? this is included in the degree plan/ hours. It is not something extra that you have to do on top of the 120 hours.

Visit **www.uta.edu/student-success/major_maps** for the latest version of this major map.

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